

DECLARATION IN SUPPORT OF PATENT APPLICATION
(With Foreign Priority Claim)

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; that

I verily believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or a joint inventor (if plural inventors are named below) of the invention entitled:

METHOD FOR PRODUCING A SHAFT PERTAINING TO A STARTER

described and claimed

- ☒ In the attached specification;
☐ in the specification filed _____, as U.S. Application
Serial No. _____, and as amended _____.
☐ in the specification filed as PCT application No. _____
on _____ and as amended under
PCT Art.19 on _____.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims as filed and as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below, as indicated. I have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate and any PCT application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed, and which is material to the examination of this application.

Prior Foreign Applications(s):

Number	Country	Day/Month/Year Filed	Priority Claimed	
			Yes	No
0450992	FR	19 May 2004	YES	
PCT/FR2005/001258	PC	19 May 2005	YES	

were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under §1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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